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COUNTRY West Germany REPORTTOPIC Guard Regiment of the MdI/KVP in Berlin-Friesdorf

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1. The KVP guard regiment in Berlin-Friesdorf was subordinate directly to the MdI/KVP. Officers of the unit wore black-bordered ruby collar patches, while EM wore ruby epaulets with pipings of unidentified color.
2. The regiment was organized into the headquarters, the motor transport company, the supply platoon, the instruction platoon, and the 1st through 3d Bns, which totalled nine companies. In early April 1954, the component units of the regiment stationed at Berlin-Friesdorf (excluding the 3d Bn) numbered about 85 officers, 160 NCOs, and 720 EM. Of these, about 28 officers, 36 NCOs, and 280 EM belonged to the 2d Bn, while about 120 to 130 men belonged to the motor transport company. The strength of the 3d Bn, which was stationed at Strausberg, was undetermined. The regiment was equipped with about nine light machine guns per company, and an undetermined number of submachine guns, and pistols.
3. Officers of the unit included Major Seifert, regimental commander; Major Jakob, regimental political officer; Captain Schaeiske, commander of the 1st Bn; Lieutenant Keipke, commander of the 2d Bn; and one Soviet lieutenant colonel, who was attached as an advisor to the regimental headquarters.
4. Installations in Berlin for which the regiment had to provide guards included the office of Willi Stoph, Minister of the Interior, on Glinke Strasse; the offices of the Political Administration and the State Secretariat for State Security on Ehrenstrasse; two installations in Berlin-Adlershof; two installations including the office of Lieutenant General Karl Heinz Hoffmann, on Schnellerstrasse; Berlin-Johannisthal; "Mueller" garage in Berlin-Pankow, which housed motor vehicles of the Ministry of the Interior; and about 200 trucks of the Ministry of the Interior at Berlin-Friedrichsfelde-Ost.

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Comment. The present report again confirms that the guard regiment is organized into three battalions and includes one battalion stationed in the Strausberg area. The regiment is estimated to total about 1,200 men.

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